



— State of —
North Dakota
Office of the Governor
John Hoeven
Governor

PROCLAMATION
SEVERE SUMMER WEATHER AWARENESS WEEK
APRIL 24-28, 2006

WHEREAS, emergency preparedness is a function of government, the private sector and individuals; and

WHEREAS, severe summer storms can cause damaging winds, hail, tornadoes, wildfires, flash flooding, hazardous materials releases and power outages, and have the potential to cause serious property damage, injury and death; and

WHEREAS, experience has demonstrated that a well-informed and prepared public can better cope with and survive life threatening severe summer storms, so North Dakota individuals, families, schools, and businesses are encouraged to develop a disaster plan with protective actions to follow when severe weather strikes; and

WHEREAS, the National Weather Service and the North Dakota Department of Emergency Services will be working with local emergency managers, state, local and tribal officials, volunteer agencies and businesses to inform and educate the public on steps that should be taken to prepare for severe weather hazards and the potential disasters this summer may bring; and

WHEREAS, it is important for all citizens to become informed of available warning systems, including outdoor siren warnings, all-hazards radio, the emergency alert system, and other radio and television broadcasts, as well as community programs such as Community Emergency Response Team and Storm Ready.

NOW, THEREFORE, as Governor of the State of North Dakota, I do hereby proclaim April 24-28, 2006, **SEVERE SUMMER WEATHER AWARENESS WEEK** in the state of North Dakota.

/s/
John Hoeven
Governor

Attest:

/s/
Alvin A. Jaeger
Secretary of State